

Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Grant Awards

BASIC OPERATING SUPPORT	
<u>Grantee</u>	<u>FY13 Award</u>
Actor's Bridge Ensemble of Nashville	\$16,500
ALIAS Chamber Ensemble	\$6,800
Asian-Amer. Performing Arts dba Dance Theatre of Tenn.	\$9,000
Belcourt Theatre Inc.	\$88,320
Cheekwood Botanical Garden & Museum of Art	\$80,640
Chinese Arts Alliance of Nashville	\$4,225
Circle Players	\$9,000
Country Music Foundation	\$120,480
Frist Center for the Visual Arts	\$150,240
Global Education Center	\$14,000
Grand Master Fiddler Championship Inc.	\$4,250
Lakewood Theatre Company	\$2,850
Metro Nashville Chorus	\$4,075
Music City Youth Orchestra	\$3,050
Narrow Way Productions (NWP)	\$4,700
Nashville Ballet	\$151,200
Nashville Children's Theatre	\$86,400
Nashville Cultural Arts Project	\$5,050
Nashville Film Festival	\$71,200
Nashville in Harmony	\$9,350
Nashville Jazz Orchestra	\$6,500
Nashville Jazz Workshop	\$42,000
Nashville Opera Association	\$119,040
Nashville Philharmonic	\$1,575
Nashville Shakespeare Festival	\$42,000
Nashville Symphony Association	\$151,200
Native American Indian Assoc. of TN Inc.	\$6,000
Senior Center for the Arts	\$31,000
Southern Word	\$14,000
Street Theatre Company	\$20,300
Tennessee Association of Craft Artists	\$37,400
Tennessee Performing Arts Center	\$129,600
Tennessee Repertory Theatre	\$69,120
Tennessee Women's Theater Project	\$9,700
The American Negro Playwright	\$1,270
W.O. Smith Nashville Community Music School	\$60,000
Watkins College of Art, Design & Film	\$152,640

AFTER-SCHOOL ARTS PROJECT SUPPORT

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>FY13 Award</u>
Asian-Amer. Performing Arts dba Dance Theatre of Tenn.	\$4,600
Center for Refugees and Immigrants of Tennessee	\$4,550
Nashville Children's Theatre	\$4,400
Nashville Symphony Association	\$3,800
New Vision	\$4,250
Southern Word	\$5,000
Tennessee Performing Arts Center	\$4,600
YWCA of Nashville & Middle TN	\$4,250

ARTS ACCESS PROJECT SUPPORT

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>FY13 Award</u>
Asian Amer. Performing Arts/Dance Theatre of TN	\$3,800
Conexión Américas	\$4,100
FiftyForward Music for Seniors	\$4,000
Healing Arts Project	\$4,550
Narrow Way Productions	\$3,900
Nashville Children's Theatre	\$4,550
Nashville Symphony Association	\$4,150
New Vision	\$4,100
Southern Word	\$4,200
Street Theatre Company	\$725
Tennessee Performing Arts Center	\$3,250
The American Negro Playwright Theatre	\$4,000

CREATION PROJECT SUPPORT

<u>Grantee</u>	<u>FY13 Award</u>
Actor's Bridge Ensemble of Nashville	\$11,000
Global Education Center	\$10,000
Nashville in Harmony	\$2,200
Nashville Opera Association	\$12,500
Nashville Symphony Association	\$16,000

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METRO NASHVILLE ARTS COMMISSION ANNOUNCES FY13 GRANT AWARDS

Nashville, TN---The Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission (Metro Arts) recently approved \$1.867 million dollars in Community Arts grants for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. The 62 grants will be shared by a total of 43 nonprofit organizations.

For FY13, Metro Arts began focusing grant funding toward organizations and activities that help the city achieve the following outcomes:

- Expanding & Improving the Creative Workforce
- Increasing Availability of & Participation in Creative Activities
- Enhancing Creative Quality and Innovation

The proposals were reviewed by community volunteers and are funded in four categories: Creation Project Support, Arts Access Project Support, After-School Arts Project Support, and Basic Operating Support. Among the 37 outstanding arts organizations with a wide range of budgets and artistic mediums awarded Basic Operating Support are W.O. Smith Community Music School, Tennessee Association of Craft Artists, Nashville Opera, Nashville Jazz Orchestra, and the Dance Theatre of Tennessee.

"Metro Arts is proud to invest in our creative community by supporting and developing high-quality local arts organizations and arts experiences that are accessible to all citizens throughout Davidson County," said Jennifer Cole, executive director of Metro Arts. "Based on recent national news reports, Nashville's reputation is growing as a unique, global city with authentic local flavor, high quality of life, diverse cultures, multifaceted creative opportunities, strong businesses, and culinary acclaim," Cole said. "These grants provide more Nashvillians with access to high-quality arts experiences that are innovative and educational."

In the Creation category, grant awards will fund the development of new works of art by Actor's Bridge Ensemble Theatre, Global Education Center, Nashville in Harmony, Nashville Opera, and Nashville Symphony. After-school Arts grants will support arts education enhancement programs that target at-risk youth and use specific arts curriculum. Grants were awarded to eight arts and non-arts nonprofits including Southern Word, Nashville Young Women's Association, and the Center for Refugees and Immigrants of Tennessee. High-quality arts experiences have a proven track-record for improving student academic and behavioral performance.

Metro Arts introduced a new grant program for FY13, "Arts Access Project Support," to fund high-quality arts projects that increase arts access for target populations such as seniors, young people, communities of color and people with disabilities. "Our agency's mission is to make art central to the lives of everyone in our community, and to do that, we must commit our grant funds to those projects that make high-quality art accessible to all Nashvillians," Cole said. The Arts Access Project Support grantees include Nashville Children's Theatre, Healing Arts Project, Conexión Americas, New Vision Inc., and Fifty Forward's Music for Seniors.

A complete list of FY13 grant awards can be found at www.artsnashville.org/artsuser/FY13Awards.pdf. For more information about the Metro Arts grant programs, visit <http://bit.ly/MetroArtsGrants>.

About the Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission

The Metropolitan Nashville Arts Commission provides leadership that stimulates and advances art and culture to enrich the human experience for the community. More information about grants, training and programs can be found at www.artsnashville.org.

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